

**UNITEDHEALTHCARE COMMUNITY PLAN STAR/STAR+PLUS/MMP INSTRUCTIONS FOR OBTAINING PRE-AUTHORIZATION FOR OPHTHALMOLOGY SERVICES****The following services require pre-authorization by Envolve Vision of Texas (Envolve Vision):**

- New technologies or new applications of existing technologies.
- Any procedure code that is considered an unlisted procedure code as defined by the AMA Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) manual (CPT codes xxx99).
- 66982 is generally approved as 66984 and then considered for upgrade post-operatively upon request and with a copy of the operative report.

**Please follow the instructions listed below when requesting a pre-authorization review:**

- Ensure that the Envolve Vision Medical Pre-Authorization Request Form is **completely** filled out, including office and facility addresses, so your request can be processed in a timely manner.
- Provider signature is required on every request.
- Pre-authorization requests must include the codes for any additional procedures that will be performed during the surgical session.
- Providers must use participating UnitedHealthcare facilities and receive authorization for the facility and anesthesia from UnitedHealthcare. If an out-of-network facility is to be used, a facility authorization must be obtained directly from the health plan. Complete a facility notification form and fax to (866) 785-1649, or contact a representative at (888) 887-9003 and follow prompts. **Envolve Vision will not approve requests for services at out-of-network facilities until a facility authorization number is received.**
- Fax the completed form and any supporting clinical information to Envolve Vision at (877) 865-1077.
- After Envolve Vision has received the request it will be entered into the Utilization Management system and a Care Manager will review the information. If necessary, you may be contacted for additional information.
- **You will be notified within two business days upon completion of the review.**
  - If the requested service is approved, an authorization letter will be faxed to your office.
  - If the requested service results in a denial, the requesting Provider will be offered a peer to peer conference with an Envolve Vision Medical Director.
- **Written documentation for all decisions, whether approved or denied, will be issued within two business days.**

**Pre-authorization requests using the online pre-authorization request:**

Participating providers may utilize the Envolve Vision website to obtain pre-authorizations for cataract surgery (CPT 66984) at <https://visionbenefits.envolvehealth.com/logon.aspx>. For automatic approval of a pre-authorization request, the procedure must be performed at a participating UnitedHealthcare facility and the clinical information supporting the request must meet Envolve Vision guidelines for medical necessity (i.e., best-corrected visual acuity of 20/50 or worse). If a request for pre-authorization meets medical necessity guidelines, an approval number will be issued and the provider may print an authorization letter immediately. If a request for authorization does not meet the medical necessity guidelines, the request will pend for further review. **The provider should fax all supporting clinical information to Envolve Vision at (877) 865-1077.**



Benefit Options

UNITEDHEALTHCARE COMMUNITY PLAN OF TEXAS
MEDICAL PRE-AUTHORIZATION REQUEST FORM

ROUTINE

URGENT \*

\*A physician with knowledge of the patient's medical condition must determine it a case involving urgent care and that use of non-urgent timeframes could seriously jeopardize the life or health of the patient or the ability of the patient to regain maximum function; or, based on the physician's opinion, the member would be subjected to severe pain. NOTE: Urgent requests MUST be accompanied by a physician's signature. The signature may appear either on this Pre-Authorization form, on the plan of care or medical record.

Date Office Contact Phone Fax

Attending Physician NPI#

TIN # License # Medicaid # Medicare #

Patient Name (Last) (First) (Middle) DOB

ID # HMO (Plan) Group #

Other Insurer (if any)

Date of Admit Date of Service IP/OP (Circle One) Anticipated LOS

Facility Name & Address

Facility Status: PAR NON-PAR Reason for Non-Par Request:

Diagnosis (must be provided) Procedure (must be provided) Circle (appropriate eye(s))

ICD Description CPT DESCRIPTION RT LT 50

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Medical Reason for Request

Attach additional pages if necessary

Patient's Chief Complaint

Patient's BCVA OD OS

Target Refraction OD OS

A comprehensive ophthalmic evaluation, including manifest refraction documenting the medical necessity for cataract surgery must be done no longer than three months prior to surgery.

Signature of Attending Physician: Date:

Office Address:

PRE CERTIFICATION/AUTHORIZATION IS NOT A GUARANTEE OF PAYMENT. COVERED SERVICES ARE BASED ON MEMBER ELIGIBILITY AND BENEFIT LIMITATIONS AT THE TIME SERVICE(S) ARE RENDERED.

PLEASE FAX YOUR REQUEST TO: (877) 865-1077 OR MAIL TO:

ENVOLVE VISION OF TEXAS, INC., ATTN: UTILIZATION MANAGEMENT, PO BOX 7548, ROCKY MOUNT, NC 27804

If denied, please refer to your Provider Manual or call (800) 465-6972 to be informed of your appeal rights.

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